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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

: Director, External Affairs

SUBJECT

Future Consideration of NAVSTAR/GPS by Congressional

Authorization/Appropriation Committees

1. Conference action has been completed on the FY82 Defense Authorization Bill. As a result, the conferees recommend authorization research and development funds for the Global Positioning System (GPS) program and deletion of procurement funds.

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- 2. As stated in the conference report, the conferees have serious reservations about GPS development, acquisitions and operating costs, but also the relatively low priority assigned by individual services within Department of Defense.
- 3. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that the Department of Defense be informed that high priority be assigned to this vital program of national level significance, or it may result in program termination.

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